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| For: DIGITAL FORMAT |) | |
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Those documents were cited in a foreign Preliminary Search Report (dated July 30, 1999) issued by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. Copies of the listed documents and the Preliminary Search Report are also enclosed. The purported relevance of each document is indicated as category "A" in the Preliminary Search Report.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialled and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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